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To: Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program Providers

From: Tina Patterson, VFC Program Coordinator

Re: 2016 VFC Program Re-enrollment

On behalf of the Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH), thank you for your participation in the Iowa Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program. The VFC Program guidelines require providers to re-enroll annually. As part of the annual re-enrollment process, providers need to complete the Provider Enrollment Form and the Provider Profile Form.

Re-Enrollment

Re-enrollment will be completed through the Immunization Registry Information System (IRIS). Directions for completing re-enrollment can be found here. These step-by-step instructions will assist with your completion of the VFC Program's Provider Enrollment Form.

Required Provider Training

As part of re-enrollment, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) require participating VFC program providers (primary vaccine coordinator and backup vaccine coordinator) to complete annual training. Completion of the CDC web-based modules, *You Call the Shots*, will satisfy this training requirement. The training is available at http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/youcalltheshots.htm. The two modules listed below are required prior to completing the re-enrollment process:

- 1. Vaccine Storage and Handling-2016
- 2. Vaccines for Children Program-2016

Continuing education credit and certificates of completion are available through CDC upon completion of both modules.

Please complete the VFC re-enrollment process and the required trainings by April 29, 2016. Failure to complete the re-enrollment process by the due date will result in suspension from the Program, and providers will not be able to place VFC vaccine orders in IRIS.

If you have questions regarding the VFC Program re-enrollment process, contact Tina Patterson at tina.patterson@idph.iowa.gov or 1-800-831-6293, ext. 4.